

HOWARD COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS' MEETING DECEMBER 30, 2020

The Howard County Board of Commissioners met in Regular Session on Wednesday, December 30, 2020, at 4:00 p.m. in Hearing Room 338 of the Howard County Administration Center. Those in attendance included President Paul Wyman, Vice-President Brad Bray, Member Jack Dodd, County Attorney Alan Wilson and County Auditor Martha Lake.

The meeting was called to order by Major Gary Cook and conducted by President Paul Wyman. Commissioner Bray led the in Pledge of Allegiance, and Commissioner Wyman offered a word of prayer.

IN THE MATTER OF APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

The minutes of December 21, 2020, regular meeting having been previously submitted and reviewed, were approved as presented on a motion made by Commissioner Bray. Commissioner Dodd seconded the motion, and the motion carried.

IN THE MATTER OF DEPARTMENTAL REPORTS:

HIGHWAY DEPT:

Annual Bids:

Highway Superintendent Amber Tolle presented a sealed bid from Primco, Inc. Mrs. Tolle will be reviewing the bid and it will be brought back to the board for possible approval on the January 4, 2021. Commissioner Dodd made a motion to take this bid under advisement, and if found to be responsive, will be approved on January 4, 2021. Commissioner Bray seconded the motion, and the motion carried.

Change Order #5- Contract B-38025, Bridge 508-Park Avenue:

Highway Superintendent Amber Tolle presented the Construction Change Order and Time Extension Summary for Bridge Number 508 from Dec. 2017 to March 2018. Commissioner Bray made a motion to approve the time adjustment as presented. Commissioner Dodd seconded the motion, and the motion carried.

COUNTY HEALTH INSURANCE POLICY RENEWAL 2021:

President Wyman presented the Insurance policy for Property, Casualty and Liability Insurance from Liberty Mutual for 2021. The bid came in \$40,000 lower than the amount paid for 2020. Commissioner Bray made a motion to approve the Insurance Policy for Property, Casualty and Liability bid as presented. Commissioner Dodd seconded the motion, and the motion carried.

President Wyman presented the Workman's Comp Insurance bid from Patriot Insurance 2021. The bid came in \$23,000 lower than the 2020 amount. Commissioner Dodd made a motion to approve the Workman's Comp Insurances bid as presented. Commissioner Bray seconded the motion, and the motion carried.

President Wyman asked if Mr. Doug Heath, Employee Health Insurance Agent from McGriff Insurance Company would like to address the Howard County Insurance Plan for 2021. Mr. Heath presented the recommendations. There are no changes to the Dental and Vision. Major Medical will have a reduction of the deductible from \$4,000 to \$3,500, and the out of pocket cap for the deductible would go from \$6,850 to \$6,350, everything else will stay the same. Mr. Heath's recommendation would be for the Board of Commissioners to renew with Anthem BC/BS. Commissioner Bray made a motion to approve the County Health Insurance Plan with Anthem BC/BS for 2021 and authorize President Wyman to sign the necessary documents to procure the policy as presented. Commissioner Dodd seconded the motion, and the motion carried.

IN THE MATTER OF CLAIMS AND REPORTS:

Howard County Auditor Martha Lake submitted the following claims and reports for the Commissioners' information and approval:

1. **Docket:** The Docket as presented for payment for the pay date of December 30, 2020, in the amount of \$736,357.05 was submitted and approved on a motion made by Commissioner Dodd. Commissioner Bray seconded the motion, and the motion carried

IN THE MATTER OF COMMISSIONERS' ISSUES:

Happy New Year:

President Wyman and Commissioners Bray & Dodd wished everyone a Happy New Year. They also took the opportunity to congratulate all of the County Employee's on the great jobs they have done during this very difficult year.

Special Recognitions:

President Wyman presented Auditor Martha Lake with the Pillar of Community Award. President Wyman stated that this award is given to individuals as recognition for their level of work and dedication to the County. Auditor Lake thanked the commissioners, and stated she has very much enjoyed working alongside them through the years.

*There being no further business to come before the Board of Commissioners
at this time, the meeting was adjourned at 12:20 p.m. on a motion
made by Commissioner Bray, seconded by Commissioner Dodd, and carried.*

HOWARD COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS:

PAUL G. WYMAN, PRESIDENT

ROBERT B. BRAY, VICE PRESIDENT

JACK W. DODD, MEMBER

ATTEST:

MARTHA J. LAKE, AUDITOR

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